

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

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**NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BAR FOR THE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

*****REQUIRED ATTORNEY ADMISSIONS RE-REGISTRATION*****
DEADLINE - MARCH 31, 2004

In February 2003, the Court began the process of updating its computerized attorney database in preparation for the implementation of Electronic Case Filing (ECF) in the District of Massachusetts. As part of this process, all admitted members of the Bar of the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts were required to complete and submit an attorney re-registration form to the Clerk of Court no later than June 1, 2003 to continue as active members of our bar. A \$25.00 re-registration fee was required for all attorneys admitted prior to January 1, 2001.¹ Public notice of this requirement was provided through Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly, postings on the Court's web page and notices mailed to attorneys. Those attorneys who have properly re-registered for attorney admissions are now included on the roll of active attorneys admitted to practice in the District of Massachusetts. Active status in the District Court is required for practice in both the U.S. District Court and in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Massachusetts.

Although the Court has continued to allow attorneys to practice and to issue certificates of good standing for attorneys who have not yet re-registered for admission with the court beyond the June 1, 2003 deadline, as of April 1, 2004, previously admitted attorneys who have not re-registered for attorney admission to our bar will be considered inactive and will not be allowed to practice in this Court. Beginning April 1, 2004, counsel who have not properly re-registered to continue their admission and who seek to practice before this Court will be required to either (1) complete the re-registration form and file proof of previous admission to this Court and their good standing with the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, along with the \$25.00 fee, or (2) reapply for general admission in accordance with Rule 83.5.1 of the Local Rules of the District of Massachusetts and pay the appropriate fee, or (3) file a motion for leave to appear pro hac vice in accordance with LR 83.5.3, along with the \$50.00 fee.

Information and forms for attorney admission and re-registration are available on the Court's web site at www.mad.uscourts.gov.

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¹ In addition to attorneys admitted to this Court after January 1, 2001, the fee was waived for attorneys representing the United States or any agency of the United States, current employees of the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts, CJA panel attorneys, and employees of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts or other local municipalities.